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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT **EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

Keenan YOUNG,	: CIVIL ACTION
Plaintiff	:
	: No: 13-CV
V.	:
	: JURY TRIAL DEMANDED
THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, POLICE	:
OFFICER AMIR WATSON, BADGE NO. 4813	:
POLICE OFFICER GREGORY DIXON,	:
BADGE NO. 6884 AND POLICE OFFICERS	:
JOHN DOE NUMBERS 1 THRU 10, BADGE	:

Defendants

COMPLAINT

I. PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

NUMBERS UNKNOWN.

1. This is a civil rights action filed by Keenan YOUNG pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983, alleging that the plaintiff was denied the right to remain free from unwarranted search and seizure of his person and vehicle by Philadelphia Police Officers Amir Watson, badge no. 4813 and Gregory Dixon, badge no. 6884, while traveling on Greenway Avenue in Philadelphia and thereafter subjected to False Arrest and False Imprisonment in violation of the Equal Protection Clause of the United States Constitution, Fourth Amendment, the Fourteenth Amendment, and the Pennsylvania Constitution Article I, Section 1.

II. JURISDICTION

2. This action is brought pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983, 1985, and 1988, 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1343(1),(3), and (4), and the Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, and Fourteenth Amendments to the United States Constitution, the Pennsylvania Constitution, and under the Common Law of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Plaintiff further invokes supplemental jurisdiction of this honorable Court to hear and decide claims arising under state law.

III. PARTIES

- 3. Plaintiff, Keenan YOUNG (hereinafter "Plaintiff," or "Mr. YOUNG.") is a United States Citizen and a resident and citizen of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, 5021 Chancellor Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- 4. Defendant, City of Philadelphia (hereinafter "the City"), is a City of the First Class in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and a municipal corporation duly existing and organized under the laws of Pennsylvania with offices for service at 1515 Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA 19102. At all times relevant hereto, Defendant, City of Philadelphia, operated under the color of state law in creating and maintaining a Police Department and was the employer of all of the Police Officer defendants in this action.
- 5. Defendant, Police Officer Amir WATSON, badge no. 4813 (hereinafter "P.O. Watson"), was at all times relevant to this Complaint an Officer of the Police Department of Defendant, City of Philadelphia, and was acting in such a capacity as the agent, servant, and/or employee of the Defendant City of Philadelphia, by and through the Police Department, acting under the direction and control of the City of

Philadelphia and its Police Department, and was acting pursuant to either official policies, statutes, ordinance, regulation, customs, practices, and usages of the City of Philadelphia and its Police Department. He is being sued in both his individual and official capacities.

- 6. Defendant, Police Officer Gregory DIXON, badge no. 6884 (hereinafter "P.O, Dixon"), was at all times relevant to this Complaint an Officer of the Police Department of Defendant, City of Philadelphia, and was acting in such a capacity as the agent, servant, and/or employee of the Defendant City of Philadelphia, by and through the Police Department, acting under the direction and control of the City of Philadelphia and its Police Department, and was acting pursuant to either official policies, statutes, ordinance, regulation, customs, practices, and usages of the City of Philadelphia and its Police Department. He is being sued in both his individual and official capacities.
- 7. Defendants John Doe Number 1 thru 10, are factitious names of individuals heretofore unascertained that were at all times relevant to this Complaint Officers of the Police Department of Defendant, City of Philadelphia, and were acting in such a capacity as the agent, servant, and/or employee of the Defendant City of Philadelphia, by and through the Police Department, acting under the direction and control of the City of Philadelphia and its Police Department, and were acting pursuant to either official policies, statutes, ordinance, regulation, customs, practices, and usages of the City of Philadelphia and its Police Department. They are being sued in both his individual and official capacities.
 - 8. At all times material and relevant to this Complaint, Defendant, City of

Philadelphia, did act through its agents, employees, owners, representative agents, and/or employees while in the course and scope of their employment and/or agency.

9. At all times referred to herein, Defendants acted under the color of the laws, statutes, ordinances, regulations, policies, customs, and usages of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the City of Philadelphia, and the Police Department of the City of Philadelphia, and pursuant to their authority as police officers of the City of Philadelphia and its Police Department.

IV. FACTS

- 10. On or about December 12, 2011, at approximately 10:22 p.m., Plaintiff, Keenan YOUNG, was driving in the vicinity of Greenway Avenue and 52nd Streets, in the city and county of Philadelphia when Defendants WATSON and DIXON initiated a traffic stop for an alleged "vehicle investigation."
- 11. Defendants DIXON and WATSON claim that during their investigation the could smell "the odor of burned marijuana" inside the vehicle.
- 12. Defendants DIXON and WATSON then arrested Mr. YOUNG and transported him to the Police Detention Unit (PDU) to withdraw blood.
- 13. Prior to transport, Mr. YOUNG, was searched for contraband with negative results. His vehicle was searched with negative results.
- 14. On January 7, 2013, Mr. YOUNG's criminal matter was withdrawn. Mr. YOUNG had remained in custody for the duration.
- 15. Upon information and belief, Defendant DIXON was directly involved in 132 arrests in 2011, 103 of which were for Driving Under the Influence (DUI). This

represents over 77 per cent of Defendant DIXON's total arrests for 2011.

- 16. Upon information and belief, prior to partnering with Defendant DIXON, Defendant WATSON's DUI arrests comprised roughly 22 *per cent* of his total arrests. After partnering with Defendant DIXON, Defendant WATSON's DUI arrest rate rose to over 70 *per cent*.
- 17. A review of 40 of Defendant DIXON's DUI arrests reveal that in 39 instances, Defendant DIXON's justification for arrest was a smell of burnt marijuana, red, bloodshot, or glassy eyes, and the suspect's speech was affected.
- 18. Moreover, the police paperwork in these cases is often nearly identical in that it reflects the following pattern: A suspect is stopped for an alleged motor vehicle violation; the suspect is alleged to have the smell of burnt marijuana, blood shot eyes, and slurred speech; the suspect is then arrested.
- 19. Despite the alleged odor of burnt marijuana in the aforementioned cases, Defendants DIXON and WATSON do not recover any burnt marijuana, marijuana cigarettes, lighters, rolling papers, or see any smoke or smoking; in two cases the Defendants recover a small amount of fresh (unburned) marijuana.
- 20. Blood test results in those 40 cases show either no marijuana or extremely low rates of marijuana that are not consistent with use in close time to the blood draw.
- 21. Because blood tests are not immediately available, the suspect is charged.
- 22. The aforesaid assault, battery, false arrest, false imprisonment, and infliction of emotional distress of plaintiff by defendants was carried out unlawfully,

negligently, maliciously, and/or intentionally.

- 23. As a direct and proximate result of the negligent, intentional, unlawful, reckless, and malicious acts described above, committed by the individual Defendants, under color of law under their authority as police officers of the City of Philadelphia, and while acting in the course and scope of their employment and pursuant to authority vested in them by the Defendant, the City of Philadelphia, caused plaintiff to be falsely accused, falsely imprisoned, maliciously prosecuted, and to suffer other injuries.
- 24. As a further result of this incident, plaintiff has and may suffer severe actual loss of his gross income.
- 25. As a further result of this incident, plaintiff has and may suffer impairment of his earning capacity and power.
- 26. As a direct and reasonable result of this incident, plaintiff has or may hereafter incur other financial expenses and losses.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

FEDERAL CIVIL RIGHTS VIOLATIONS

- 27. The allegations set forth in paragraphs one through 26 inclusive, are incorporated herein as if fully set forth.
- 28. As a direct and proximate result of all Defendants' conduct, committed under the color of state law, Defendant deprived Plaintiff of rights, privileges, and immunities under the law and the Constitution of the United States; Plaintiff's right to be free from unreasonable searches and seizures, excessive force, false arrest, false imprisonment, malicious prosecution, verbal abuse, to be secure in one's

person and property, and to due process and equal protection of law. As a result, Plaintiff suffered and continues to suffer harm in violation of Plaintiff's rights under the laws and Constitution of the United States, in particular the First, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, and Fourteenth Amendments thereof, and 42 U.S.C. § 1983 and 1985.

- 29. As a direct and proximate result of the acts and ommission of all Defendants, Plaintiff endured pain, suffering, emotional harm and financial losses, and was deprived of liberty and property, all to Plaintiff's detriment and loss.
- 30. The City of Philadelphia has encouraged, tolerated, ratified, and has been deliberately indifferent to the following patterns, practies, and customs, and to the need for more or different training, supervision, investigation in the areas of:
 - a. the abuse of police powers, including but not limited to excessive force, unlawful detention, false arrest, and false imprisonment;
 - b. the failure of police officers to follow established policies and procedures regarding the completion of police paperwork;
 - c. the failure of the Philadelphia Police Department to maintain proper police reports, including the identity of police eyewitness information;
 - d. the failure of police officer to prevent, deter, report, or to take
 action against the unlawful conduct of other officers under such
 circumstances as presented herein.
- 31. Defendant, the City of Philadelphia, failed to properly sanction or discipline officers who are aware and subsequently conceal and/or aid and abet violations of constitutional rights of citizens by other police officers, thereby causing

and encouraging police, including the individual Defendants, to violate the rights of citizens such as Plaintiff.

32. By these actions, all Defendants, acting in concern and conspiracy, have deprived Plaintiff of rights secured by the First, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, and Fourteenth Amendments to the United States Constitution, and 42 U.S.C. § 1983 and 1985.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

STATE LAW CLAIMS

- 33. The allegations set forth in paragraphs one through thirty-two inclusive are incorporated herein as if fully set forth.
- 34. The acts and conduct of all Defendants alleged in the above cause of action constitute assault and battery, false arrest, false imprisonment, malicious prosecution, intentional infliction of emotional distress, intereference with state constitutional rights, negligence, gross negligence, and negligent hiring, training, retention, and supervision under the law of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and this Court has supplemental jurisdiction to hear and adjudicate those claims.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully requests the following relief:

- a. Compensatory damages;
- b. Punitive damages;
- c. Reasonable attorney's fees and costs:
- d. Such other and further relief as appears reasonable and just;
- e. Plaintiff demands a jury trial as to each Defendant and as to each

count.

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